

Remarks

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

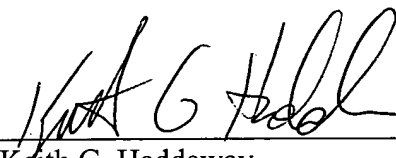
Applicants have included a request for a one month extension of time and the requisite fees. However, applicants note that the referenced communication, which indicated a mailing date of May 6, 2005, was not received until June 8, 2005. Further, the paper on which the communication was printed was brittle and yellowed, seeming to indicate that the filing was delayed due to some treatment in the U.S. Post Office. Accordingly, Applicants request that the fee for extension of time be refunded.

If additional fees or extensions of time are needed to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims), and any other fee deficiency are hereby authorized to be charged, any overpayments credited to, our Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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